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President/Kissinger
12:32 p.m. 9/12/70

K: They have blown up the planes but without the passengers. The passengers and crew ~~xxxx~~ are in hotels in Amman. That removes some of the danger. They will have to tell them individually if they are stretched out.

P: They blew up the planes to prove themselves. To prove that they would have done it if we attacked them.

K: ~~xx~~ 60 have left and the remainder are in Amman. They haven't formulated any precise plans yet. State didn't want that cable and I didn't insist.

P: I don't suppose it's that big.

K: It's a question of whether one --

P: What did Sisco think?

K: He was for it but others were against it. Frankly I didn't think you should insist on it. ~~xxxx~~ As it is the Arab (?) governments are in behind the scenes and are opposed if they say they are. If they are it would have given them something to work with. It's a tactical decision. I have been very loose about it and have not pressed anybody.

P: Nothing we can do now. If the passengers are out.

K: It might have _____ it up. The big problem today is Chile.

P: Their stock market went to hell.

K: I had a call last night from McCone and Kendall this morning. McCone thinks it would be a catastrophe if we let it go. Latin American Bureau at State is against doing anything. Korry has stopped all appointments unless they come to him.

P: Did I see those instructions? I want to see them.

K: They came over here and one of my staff members agreed to it.

P: I am following it and I want a personal note to State that I want to see all cables to Chile.

K: Maybe I should send a back channel to Korry saying you are interested in keeping it open.

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P: By all means. I want an appraisal of what the options are. The options are having another run-off election.

K: [REDACTED] sent someone down for a first hand look to give their appraisal.

P: Does State want to give them aid?

K: Let Alicande come in and see what we can work out and work out opposition to him.

P: Like against Castro? Like in Czech.? The same people said the same thing. Don't let them do that. Meyer knows better. Tell Kendall to call Meyer.

K: I did and he is beside himself. Augustine Edwards has escaped and is coming here Monday. I am going to meet with him on Monday for his feel of the situation.

P: We don't want a big story leaking out that we are trying to overthrow the Govt. We want his judgement on the possibility of a run-off election.

K: I will do that. That's essential.

P: It's going to hell so fast. Their stock market is down 50%.

K: Korry sent in a cable today that said while you meet in committees
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P: Korry may have wanted to put us on the spot. He is a Kennedy Democrat. Get a backchannel to him right away.

K: Exactly. We will have a meeting on Mon. The British Ambassador called this morning and said he feels he must greet you at Chequers. I know your preference but I said I would check with you and get back to him.

P: Lunch there? We will do it.

K: I will call Freeman.

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